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This application has been examined	Responsive to communication filed on	This action is made final.				
	othis action is set to expire 3 month(s),onnext will cause the application to become abandoned.	days from the date of this letter. 35 U.S.C. 133				
Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMEN L Notice of References Cited by Example 2. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, Information on How to Effect Drawn	t, PTO-1449 4. Notice of info	ent Drawing, PTO-948. rmal Patent Application, Form PTO-152				
Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION						
1. 🔀 Claims	[6-3] 5-7	are pending in the application.				
Of the above, claims	5-7	are withdrawn from consideration.				
2. Claims		have been cancelled.				
3. Claims		are allowed.				
4. 💢 Claims	16-3	are rejected.				
5. Claims		are objected to.				
6. Claims	are	subject to restriction or election requirement.				
7. This application has been filed v						
•	Allowable subject matter having been indicated, formal drawings are required in response to this Office action.					
_	The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on These drawings are acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation).					
	0. The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on has (have) been approved by the examiner. disapproved by the examiner (see explanation).					
the Patent and Trademark Office corrected. Corrections <u>MUST</u> be	The proposed drawing correction, filed, has been approved disapproved (see explanation). However, the Patent and Trademark Office no longer makes drawing changes. It is now applicant's responsibility to ensure that the drawings are corrected. Corrections MUST be effected in accordance with the instructions set forth on the attached letter "INFORMATION ON HOW TEFFECT DRAWING CHANGES", PTO-1474.					
12. Acknowledgment is made of the	Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has been received not been received					
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13. Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.						
14. Other						

EXAMINER'S ACTION

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Claims 1-4, 16-31 are again rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious over the art of record for reasons of record. Applicant's arguments and the two 312 declarations have been carefully considered, but are deemed unpersuasive for the following reasons:

- 1. The evidence presented is not commensurate with the breath of the claims. The temperature 37°C and 50°C are not room temperatures such as 20°C or 25°C. Only three salts are being compared whereas eight salts are being claimed.
- 2. The samples were compared in chemical compound form only not in pharmaceutical formulation form. A pharmaceutical formulation can be in aqueous solution or mixed with inert carriers to form capsule or tablet and the like.
- 3. The table showing the degradation product is not convincing. It appears that calcium and magnesium salts at one and half month are actually less stable than omeprazole. The sodium salt, magnesium salt, calcium salt are less stable than the neutral compound at 37/80.
- 4. The remark at page 4 of applicant's response is not well taken. CF3 group is not listed at page 831 as an election withdrawing group. As a matter of fact $-e_{H3}$ $-c_{F3}$ group should stablize the anion.

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Claims 5-7 are withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention. Election was made without traverse in Paper No. 9.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a). The practice of automatically extending the shortened statutory period an additional month upon the filing of a timely first response to a final rejection has been discontinued by the Office. See 1021 TMOG 35.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.

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